Joint Public Hearing of the Burrillville Town Council and the Burrillville Planning Board held Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in Town Council Chambers, 105 Harrisville Main St., Harrisville, for and within the Town of Burrillville.

## PRESENT:

Town Council: Council President John F. Pacheco III and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson, Nancy F. Binns, Michelle D. Bouchard, Kimberly Brissette Brown, and David J. Place

Planning Board: Chris Desjarlais, Bruce Ferreira, Rick Lemek, Jeff Presbrey and Mark Tremblay

## **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Town Council: Councilor Donald A. Fox was excused

Planning Board: Leo Felice, Michael Lupis, Jeffrey Partington and

**Dov Pick were excused** 

I. Relative to Consideration and Action on amending the Town of Burrillville Comprehensive Plan:

Nature of the Proposed Amendment: The proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments would recognize three new substandard areas within the Comprehensive Plan, which include: Chapel Street from River Street to Union Avenue in Harrisville; the former mill site located on Mapleville Main Street in Mapleville; the former mill site located on the corner of Douglas Pike (Route 7) and Route 102 in

Nasonville.

Note: Notice of the public hearing was duly advertised in the local

section of the Woonsocket Call as a display advertisement on June 8,

June 15 and June 22, 2015.

A) Comments/Input/Recommendation by Solicitor, Town Manager and

Administrative Staff: Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, commented on

the process of establishing redevelopment districts. Thomas J.

Kravitz, Town Planner, reviewed the role of the Planning Board in

amending the Comprehensive Plan and discussed the nature of the

proposed amendment.

B) Comments and recommendation from the Ordinance

Subcommittee: Councilor Nancy F. Binns, Ordinance Subcommittee

Chair, stated that the Ordinance Subcommittee had reviewed the

ordinance and voted to send it to full council for consideration.

C) Hearing of all interested parties:

Proponents: Renay McLeish, 1026 Hill Road, Pascoag, alternate

member of the Redevelopment Agency of Burrillville, testified in

support of adoption of amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, as

submitted.

Opponents: Stuart Pearson of Mapleville asked about the intended

use of the proposed Redevelopment Districts and about the impact and potential impact taxes. These matters were discussed.

Approval, amendment, alteration: The amendments discussed herein may be further altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing thereon without further advertising as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the public hearing. Any alterations or amendments must be presented for comment in the course of the hearing.

Note: There was no further alteration or amendment.

D) Comments/Input/Recommendation by Burrillville Planning Board

That, in accordance with the Rhode Island Comprehensive Planning and Land Use Regulation Act, which is Title 45-22-2.3, under (c) Goals. goal numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9 and 10; move to approve the amendments to the Comprehensive Plan as provided.

Motion by Mark Tremblay. Seconded by Bruce Ferreira. The vote in favor was unanimous by the five members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Chris Desjarlais, Bruce Ferreira, Rick Lemek, Jeff Presbrey and Mark Tremblay.

E) Town Council deliberation: Councilors Kimberly Brissette Brown

and Nancy F. Binns stated that the question of amending the Comprehensive Plan had been reviewed on multiple occasions.

**VOTED** to close the public hearing.

Motion by Councilor Nancy F. Binns. Seconded by Councilor David J. Place. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President John F. Pacheco III and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson, Nancy F. Binns, Michelle D. Bouchard, Kimberly Brissette Brown, and David J. Place. Councilor Donald A. Fox was excused.

F) Consider and act on proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments recognizing three new substandard areas within the Comprehensive Plan, which include: Chapel Street from River Street to Union Avenue in Harrisville; the former mill site located on Mapleville Main Street in Mapleville; the former mill site located on the corner of Douglas Pike (Route 7) and Route 102 in Nasonville.

VOTED to adopt amendments to the Burrillville Comprehensive Plan, Chapter IX, Land Use, Section IX.2 Land Use Issues, Substandard Areas, by adding the following: Expand the Chapel Street substandard area west from River Street to Union Avenue along both sides of Chapel Street. Add two specific former mill sites, those being the Metech Mill site on Mapleville Main Street in Mapleville, and the former Pliant Corporation Mill on Douglas Pike in Nasonville.

Motion by Councilor David J. Place. Seconded by Councilor Kimberly Brissette Brown. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President John F. Pacheco III and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson, Nancy F. Binns, Michelle D. Bouchard, Kimberly Brissette Brown, and David J. Place. Councilor Donald A. Fox was excused.

II. Relative to consideration and action on adoption of amendments to the Revised General Ordinances of the Town of Burrillville, RI, 2004, Chapter 1 entitled General Provisions, by adding the following:

The Town Council of the Town of Burrillville hereby ordains as follows:

Sec. 1-11. - Comprehensive plan incorporated by reference.

The Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Burrillville, as duly adopted and amended from time to time, and as most recently amended on June 24, 2015, is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

NOTE: The public hearing was duly advertised in the legal section of the Woonsocket Call on June 17, 2015.

A) Comments/Input/Recommendation by Solicitor, Town Manager and Administrative Staff: None

B) Comments and recommendation from the Ordinance

Subcommittee: None

C) Hearing of all interested parties:

**Proponents: None** 

**Opponents: None** 

D) Town Council deliberation: None

E) VOTED to close the public hearing.

Motion by Councilor David J. Place. Seconded by Councilor Nancy F. Binns. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President John F. Pacheco III and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson, Nancy F. Binns, Michelle D. Bouchard, Kimberly Brissette Brown, and David J. Place. Councilor Donald A. Fox was excused.

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The Comprehensive Plan shall take effect for the purpose of conforming municipal land use decisions and for the purpose of being transmitted to the Rhode Island Director of Administration for State review upon public hearing and passage.

The Comprehensive Plan shall not become effective for the purposes of guiding State agency actions until it is approved by the state of Rhode Island pursuant to Chapter 45-22.2 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, a/k/a the Rhode Island Comprehensive Planning and Land Use Act.

Motion by Councilor Nancy F. Binns. Seconded by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President John F. Pacheco III and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson, Nancy F. Binns, Michelle D. Bouchard, Kimberly Brissette Brown, and David J. Place. Councilor Donald A. Fox was excused.

**VOTED** to adjourn at 7:20 P.M.

Motion by Councilor David J. Place. Seconded by Councilor Nancy F.

Binns. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President John F. Pacheco III and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson, Nancy F. Binns, Michelle D. Bouchard, Kimberly Brissette Brown, and David J. Place. Councilor Donald A. Fox was excused.

The public hearings were recorded.

Louise R. Phaneuf, Town Clerk